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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Takehiro KAMADA : Confirmation Number: 2832

Application No.: 10/673,255 : Group Art Unit: 2133

Filed: September 30, 2003 : Examiner: CHASE, SHELLY A

For: VITERBI DECODER AND VITERBI DECODING METHOD

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 2, 2007, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.